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## Marshall Selects Four Low-Cost Launch System Proposals

Marshall has selected four proposals for negotiation leading to contract awards for the initial design of a flight demonstrator of new low-cost launch system technologies. Selected proposals were submitted by Universal Space Lines, Inc., Newport Beach, Calif.; Summa Technology, Inc., Huntsville; Aerojet-General Corp., Sacramento, Calif; and Pioneer Rocketplane, Lakewood, Colo. The contracts are expected to be awarded later this month.

## Shriver Named KSC Deputy

Loren Shriver has been named deputy director for Launch and Payload Processing at KSC, effective Aug. 15. He is now manager of Launch Integration for the Space Shuttle Program.

## Venneri, Reck, Mulville Visit S&E Wed.

NASA Headquarters Chief Technologist Sam Venneri, Chief Engineer Dr. Dan Mulville and Deputy Chief Technologist Greg Reck are visiting Marshall Wednesday. They will meet with Science and Engineering Director Sherman Jobe for a briefing on engineering activities at the Center.

## Marshall Awards Local Contract For Biotechnology Space Research

Marshall has awarded New Century Pharmaceuticals, Inc. of Huntsville a contract for space-based biotechnology research aimed at determining the structure of important protein molecules. Such structures are vital in developing more effective disease-fighting drugs, vaccines and medical treatments.

## Payroll Services Being Consolidated at Marshall

Marshall's Financial Management Office has taken on a new role as a consolidated payroll processing center. It has assumed responsibility for the payroll functions of Headquarters, KSC and Dryden. The payrolls of the other six NASA installations are to be consolidated by November. Center Director Dr. Wayne Little and Chief Financial Officer David Bates visited with Marshall team members Friday to congratulate them and present group achievement awards.